**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 25‑11‑110 SO AS TO GIVE PREFERENCE TO HOMELESS VETERANS AT ALL SHELTERS FUNDED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY PUBLIC FUNDS.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Article 1, Chapter 11, Title 25 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 25‑11‑110. (A) For purposes of this section, a ‘homeless veteran’ is a person who qualifies for an identification card pursuant to the provision of Section 56‑1‑3350 and is a veteran as defined in Section 25‑11‑40(A).

(B) A facility, funded in whole or in part by public funds, that provides care or shelter to a homeless person must give priority to caring or sheltering to a homeless veteran.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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